

No. 8069 號十六零千六第 日八十月三年丑丁緒光 HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 1ST, 1877. 二拜禮 號一月五癸 港香 [PRINTED BY THE PROPRIETOR]

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Intimations

A **HONGKONG.**
THE MEMBERS of the above CLUB will give a Performance at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, on
MONDAY EVENING,
May 7th, 1877.
When will be presented a Farcical Comedy in Three Acts, by J. J. BRONN, Esq., author.
"NOT SUCH A FOOL AS HE LOOKS."
Tickets may be obtained at Messrs. LANE, Crawford & Co's Office, from MONDAY, April 30th, and at the Doors on the Night of Performance.
Doors Open at 8.30; Performance to commence at 9.00, and 9.15, respectively.
By kind permission of Colonel DICKINS and the Officers of H.M. 28th Regiment, their Band will be in attendance.
THAS. C. COHEN,
Horn Secretary.
610 NORTHERN, 30th April, 1877.
HONGKONG, 30th April, 1877.
(If subsequent inducement offers)
THE No 1 All British Steamer

am, Commander, will
above.

The Steamer has superior accommodation for
Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
J. H. B. & Co.,
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NOTICE.
I HAVE THIS DAY CLOSED THE HONGKONG
BRANCH OF MY FIRM. F. PEIL,
7d 672 Hongkong, 1st May, 1877.

NOTICE.
THE Office of the Undersigned in This Day
REMOVED TO No. 4, PEDDAR
HILL.
R. G. ALFORD,
Surveyor, &c.
7d 676 Hongkong, 1st May, 1877.

TO LET.
DWELLING HOUSE, No. 14, GOUGH
STREET, newly repaired and painted.

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Delightful Country Residences, most commodiously rebuilt, with Garden attached.

Apply to
J. J. dos REMEDIOS & Co.
26 674 Hongkong, nos 1 May, 1877.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.
ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

Shareholders in the above Office are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a LIST of their CONTRIBUTION for the year ending 31st December, 1876, and that the distribution of the Net Profits reserved for Contributions be ascertained. Returns not rendered

the 31st August next
Office, and no claims

be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
General Agents.
4m 075 Hongkong, 1st May, 1877.

FOR SALE.

A SMALL Invoice of O. BONNEVILLE
Co's "Prince of Wales" BRAND
in Cases of One Dozen Bottles, One Doz
Glass Barrels, and Two Dozen Flasks.
Apply to **P. B. CAMA,**
7, Hollywood Road
2w 068 Hongkong, 30th April, 1877.

NOTICE.

Public of Hongkong
Master of our Steamship

(playing between Peddar's Wharf and Trum-
by, Mr. Duxco, will expire on the 31st
instant, after which date the said Launch
will, on the same route, be run on ac-
counting my connection therewith with the
Charterers.

The Fare will be as usual until further
Hoe.

WING KEE & Co.,
Praya Canton.

609 Hongkong, 29th April, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has been appointed
AGENT at Hongkong and its vicin-
ity for THE BOSTON BUREAU OF MARINE UN-
DERWRITERS, by Edward A. Lawrence, dated in
New York, U.S.A. 1st March, 1877.

T. G. LINSTEADT
627 Hongkong, 23-d April, 1877.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D^R. SNOTT intends visiting Japan about
the 1st of May, and those who wish
consult him professionally would make an
appointment for an early date.

Alexandra Terrace,
A-21514 1975

G. O. ROGERS, DENTAL SURGEON,
 No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD,
 Begs to inform his Friends that he has
 received a Supply of new Cuttings for Six
 Eight Weeks, leaving early in April.
 227, Hongkong, March 13th, 1877.

L. T. H. EVENTINE
 WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT
 AND IMPORTER OF
 FRENCH GOODS,
 44, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

Notices to Consignees.
 FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND
 SHANGHAI.

Steamship Assoc.

1. Consignees of Cargo by her are to be informed that their Goods are being landed by her, and that they are to be delivered to the undersigned, whence if from the Wharf, Bona delivery may be obtained.

2. Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Y. hama unless notice to the contrary is given before the 20th day of the month.

3. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 20th day of the month will be sold.

4. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

5. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by J. B. JARDINE, MATTHEW & Co. Agents.

74 620 Heroncross, 30th April, 1877.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE

THE Steamship "Said Australia," Captain Boon, having arrived, Consignees of Goods are hereby informed that their Goods are

Mr. A. MACG. HEATON
on Wharf delivery

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary is received before 2 p.m. THIS DATE. Goods may be delivered after this time. May will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by GIDMAN & CO.,

74 689 Hong Kong, 27th April, 1877.

OCEAN-STEAMSHIP COMPANY

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamship "Oceania" are hereby notified that Cargo is being discharged into Craft, at the Godowns of the Underigned, in consequence it will incur Consignee's risk. The cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft on the 27th inst. and will be delivered to the Goods wharves after that time.

be subject to Rent.
BUTTERFIELD

604 Hongkong, 20th April, 1877.

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NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders, it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the Firm, A. S. Watson and Co., or

827 HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 1st, 1877.

Anyone would have thought that the oft-repeated warning sent home to Lancashire cotton goods manufacturers must have had some effect in checking the adulteration of piece goods. But the manufacturers are seemingly deaf to all advice, and continue sending out oversized and clay-filled pieces, &c., to the markets of the Far East. Long ago they lost their hold on the Indian market, and they are going the right way to deeper prejudice which has already grown up against Manchester fabrics in China. The import of these goods has been very fluctuating of late years, and there are faint signs of the healthy increase that ought to be recorded. The consignments of 1876, we learn from the Customs Reports, are below the average of the past five years by over half-a-million pieces. This ought not to

be, and surely would not but for the deterioration of the quality of the goods imported. China, with its hundreds of millions of people dressed in cotton garments, ought to afford a splendid market for Lancashire produce. It was believed, on the conclusion of the Treaty of Tientsin, by which a number of fresh ports were opened to foreign trade, that a great and speedy development of the trade in piece goods would take place. But those expectations have not been fully realized. The trade has increased, but not in anything like the ratio expected. There is no possible doubt that the Chinese have, in many instances, given up foreign cotton goods in disgust, because they have found them so extensively adulterated. To no other cause can be ascribed the diminished labour in which they are now held. Mr. J. A. MAN, the Customs Commissioner at Nanchang, when reviewing the trade in piece goods for the year 1876 at that port, takes the opportunity to make some remarks on this subject. He says:—"Complaints as to deterioration in the quality of Indian piece goods continue, I regret to add, with good and sufficient reason. 'Stronger' pens than mine have animated upon the suicidal folly of the course pursued by certain unscrupulous coterie at home. In this place I venture to point their testimony. Lancashire is surely stretching to extreme lengths the safe road in which her present practical monopoly finds strength. The habit of change that has been imbibed in the Chinese character, and gives force and meaning to the conversation met with in all the references of daily life. No din of machinery resounds through the streets of Shanghai and Canton, and the change of foreign honesty in work by passing largely to import in the future. Yet the native merchant has a tolerably adequate remedy at hand. By no law other than the 'old custom' of his class is he obliged to deal in certain brands or with particular manufacturers." Mr. MAN then points out that India is beginning to show to the front as a vigorous rival producer, and that despite of their labouring under the disadvantages of dear and scarce labour, of night have that have crippled the carrying trade, and of prohibitive tariffs, the American manufacturers have been able to place piece goods on the China market in considerable quantities. These goods, he adds, "compare most advantageously with the adulterated, short-packed rubbish that is ruining the reputation of British mills." It is stated that over thirty per cent. of the weight of some English piece goods washes out in the first washing. It is most sincerely to be regretted that the Lancashire manufacturers are so short-sighted as to persist in a practice which no longer imposes upon purchasers, but only serves to render the goods unpopular. Even now it is not too late to recover lost ground, and strengthen their hold on the great market of China for good and unadulterated fabrics. They should study the wants of the Chinese, make cottons in the widths and of the strength required, and they would then doubtless not only retain, but largely increase their present trade. But they will not heed the friendly remonstrances so respectfully addressed to them, it is to be feared that they will soon lose their virtual monopoly of the market. The time thrown out by Mr. MAN about the present absence of machinery at Shanghai and Canton is significant enough. Already the advisability of starting cotton-mills at the former port has been discussed, and, as there is the raw material and plenty of cheap labour on the spot, the idea is by no means utopian. The cotton mills in India have been very successful, and it is no reason why they should prove a failure in Shanghai. It is to be hoped, in the interests of Lancashire, that the experiment will not be ventured upon, but the manufacturers of that country are certainly going the right way to work to induce the Chinese to start the enterprise. The latter are daily striving to render themselves more independent of foreign nations, and their prejudices are very apt to vanish before the pressure of self-interest. They have given us several striking proofs of this fact lately, and we do not desire to see another in the shape of the importation of machinery for the erection of cotton mills. Both manufacturers and merchants should strive to avert such a contingency occurring, the former by carefully avoiding the use of China dyes and other similar ingredients for giving a fastidious value to their goods, and the latter by steadfastly refusing to receive consignments of such rubbish.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

26th April.

BEFORE JAMES RUSSELL, Esq.

ADULTERATION.

Young Achong, a painter, at work at the Central Police Station, was caught by P.O. McDougal stealing a belt from his quarters. Prosecutor asked him, and the thief at once turned up and admitted him.

Prisoner was sentenced to seven days' hard labour.

A STREET ROW.

Low Aow, a coolie, was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour for creating a disturbance in the street, and assaulting a man with a bamboo.

ATTEMPT TO STEAL.

Lai Along was sentenced to the workhouse for attempting to steal a jacket, the property of an actor, on board of the Moon steamer.

CAMPING.

Chun Ahoo, a coolie, was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour for camping in the public street.

30th April.

BEFORE JAMES RUSSELL, Esq.

ADULTERATION.

Francis Shum, a servant in H. M. 23th Regiment, was charged as follows:—

The Secretary of the Hongkong Club said that Francis Shum, a servant in H. M. 23th Regiment, was charged as follows:—

One of the witnesses in his case came up to him and made a report that there was a man below making a disturbance. He went downstairs and found the prisoner with a sword in his hand, and a bottle of ink in his other hand. The prisoner was then taken to the Central Station in a chair. The witness produced the sword and the bottle of ink.

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